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Dr. T. C. Allen  
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Doc:

It's a bit tardy to be answering your letter of May 5, but nevertheless it was thoroughly enjoyed, and the 30 minutes that you spoke of would certainly be wonderful.

Doc Beveridge has spoken to me a number of times in regard to joining the local Rotary Club and have considered it seriously many times. I agree with you, that should I join, the result would be many happy hours, but I can't get over the hump in my own mind. That "hump" is this. I have read the Rotary Code of Ethics and I can't reconcile the actions of many members to the items of that code, to which they have pledged themselves in all sincerity.

You know Doc, I don't hold myself as a "pink tea" boy or a guiding star, but a pledge means a lot to me. The ideals of Rotary are wonderful and as you say "if they are followed" this old earth would be a much brighter spot than it is today.